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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please rewrite claims 21, 25, and 28 to read as follows. A marked-up version of the amended claims is appended hereto.

21. (Amended) A storage space comprising a bottle rack configured to be at least partially recessed in a wall and to store a bottle having a long axis substantially parallel to the plane of the wall.

25. (Amended) A storage space comprising a means for storing a bottle at least partially recessed in a wall and having a long axis substantially parallel to the plane of the wall.

28. (Amended) A method comprising storing a bottle in a bottle rack at least partially recessed in a wall with a long axis substantially parallel to the plane of the wall.

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